

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 1998-308-C - ORDER NO. 2004-34

JANUARY 23, 2004

IN RE: Application of Big Planet, Inc. to Cancel its	) ORDER CANCELLING
Certificate of Public Convenience and	) CERTIFICATE AND
Necessity to Operate as a Reseller of	) TARIFF
Interexchange Telecommunications Services	)
within the State of South Carolina.	)

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the Application of Big Planet, Inc. ("Big Planet" or the "Company") to cancel its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("PC&N") to provide resold intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina. Additionally, Big Planet requests cancellation of the Company's South Carolina tariff. A review of the docket file reveals that Big Planet was granted authority to operate as a reseller of intrastate interexchange telecommunications services by Commission Order No. 1999-39, dated January 19, 1999.

Big Planet, by letter dated December 30, 2003 from the Company's counsel, advised the Commission that Big Planet was requesting cancellation, on an expedited basis, of its Certificate of PC&N to provide intrastate interexchange resold telecommunications services in the State of South Carolina. Big Planet advises that the Company does not provide telecommunications services to any customers in South Carolina. According to Big Planet, the Company has no outstanding obligations to any customers in South Carolina in the form of deposits or prepayments for services which

have not or will not be provided. As for providing written notice to customers of Big Planet's surrender of its Certificate of PC&N, Big Planet asserts that notification is inapplicable since the Company has no customers in South Carolina.

Big Planet adds further that surrender of the Company's Certificate of PC&N is reasonable, necessary and not disruptive to the present or future public interest, convenience and necessity in the State of South Carolina.

As Big Planet is not providing the services for which its Certificate of PC&N was granted, the Commission finds and concludes that Big Planet's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide intrastate interexchange resold telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina should be cancelled, and the Company's tariff on file with the Commission withdrawn.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate as a reseller of intrastate Interexchange telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina authorized by Commission Order No. 1999-39, dated January 19, 1999, issued in the instant docket to Big Planet, Inc. is hereby cancelled.
2. Big Planet's South Carolina tariff on file with the Commission is hereby cancelled.

3. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.



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Mignon L. Clyburn, Chairman

ATTEST:



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Bruce F. Duke, Executive Director

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